

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:54

ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003

CHEMICAL WASTE IN UNION CARBIDE FACTORY

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that a lot of toxic chemical wastes are lying unattended in the pesticides factory of the Union Carbide India Ltd. at Bhopal even after 18 years of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy;
- (b) if so, whether any step has been taken for clearance of chemical waste and also to provide expertise for its disposal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHHATTRA PAL SINGH)

(a): Yes Sir,

(b) & (c): The State Government of Madhya Pradesh is in touch with the Ministry of Defence to help them in the removal of toxic wastes from the site of Union Carbide India Limited.

(d): In view of (b) & (c) above, the question does not arise.